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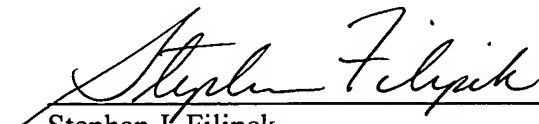
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The European Search Report (copy enclosed) explains the degree of relevance of Japanese publication JP 02 257,383, and an English-language abstract is provided herewith.

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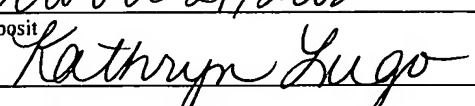

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